

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): Engel et al.

Appl. No.: 09 333,256

Filed: June 15, 1999

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: March 18, 2002

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herewith by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim		Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made	B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn						
For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)							
2. Total Effective Claims		**minus	0	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims		***minus	0	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)					add	+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0
5. Original due Date: December 17, 2001		<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached		(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =				115/215
		(2 mos)	\$400/\$200 =	+ \$920			116/216
		(3 mos)	\$920/\$460 =				117/217
		(Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos)	\$1,440/\$720=				118/218
		(Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)	\$1,960/\$980=				128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract					- \$0		
					Extension Fee Attached	+ \$920	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee					+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c),					+ \$180	+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request					+ \$180		126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)					+ \$740/370	+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b).....					x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)					+ \$740/370	+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for						+ \$0	
15. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =						\$920	

16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".

17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

18. ***If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975)

(Our Order No. 011468 0260218
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CHARGE STATEMENT: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any missing or insufficient fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (missing or insufficiencies only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting Official Document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Accounting/Order Nos. shown above, for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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NOTE: File this cover sheet in duplicate with PTO receipt (PAT-103A) and attachments

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